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Cynthia T. Brown, Chief Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington DC 20423-0001 Part of Public Record

Re: STB Docket No. AB-1065X, Indiana Southwestern Railway Co. — Abandoi.ment Exemption — Posey and Vanderburgh Counties, IN

Dear Ms. Brown,

The Town of Poseyville is still awaiting response from the Surface Transportation Board to our letter of May 20, 2011 indicating that we had secured a line of credit to make an Offer of Financia! Assistance to acquire the rail line in question.

This matter is of utmost urgency since we believe that Indiana Southwestern (ISW) is moving forward with plans to dismantle and salvage the rails and other track materials.

This railroad can be used as a catalyst to create new jobs in our community and we cannot suffer the loss of this transportation opportunity. We recognize that the current owner desired to use the facility primarily for car storage and as such exhibited little, if any desire to seek to develop the available lands along this right of way for new rail-dependent business. Now that the car storage business has dwindled it is clearly easier for them to injuridate the asset rather than to work to stimulate jobs in our region.

We therefore plead and request that the Board hold in abeyance the Abandonment and to advise Indiana Southwestern (ISW) to not remove the rail and other track material until we have an opportunity to present additional information before the Board under seal of confidentiality.

Respectfully Submitted.

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Honorable Senator Richard Lugar Honorable Senator Dan Coats

Honorable Representative Larry Bucshon, Indiana 8th District Ms. Venetta Keefe, Indiana Department of Transportation

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